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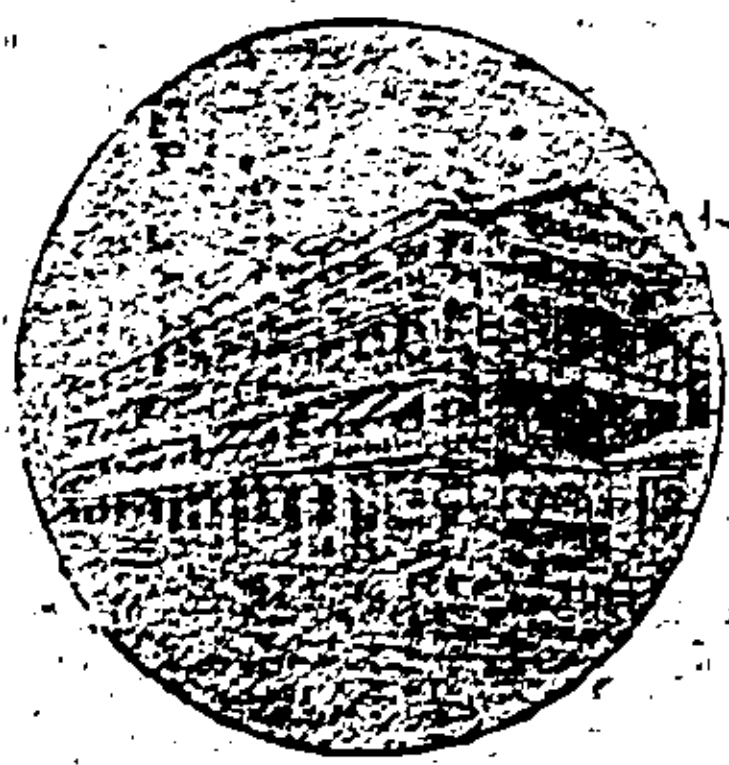
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

IRISH OUTRAGES.

HOUR'S FIGHT IN PITCH DARKNESS.

LORRY BOMBED.

LONDON, October 11.

Details of the Irish outrages show that a lorry en route to Carrickmacross was destroyed by a bomb. Two lorries ambushed near Bandon by a hundred armed men contained three officers and twenty men. The lorries were fired on from both sides of the road and pulled up when the soldiers dismounted and opened fire. The fight lasted an hour in pitch darkness. The soldiers were unable to see the attackers while the military were plainly visible by the headlights of the lorries.

ONE SOLDIER KILLED.

Machine-gunning by the attacking party on the military lorry is reported. In connection with the ambush at Kanturk the lorry was held up by milk-carts drawn across the road. One soldier was killed and several injured. When the news reached Kanturk the people, recognising the probability of reprisals hurriedly closed their shops and made a general exodus from the town in a state of considerable alarm and excitement.

THE INDIAN ARMY.

COMMENT ON COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

NEW ADVISORY BODY FORESHADOWED.

LONDON, October 11.

The report of the Esher Committee has aroused great interest in India and England. Comment is generally favourable but there have been some criticisms headed by the *Times* which contended that the Committee's proposals involved the subordination of the Indian Army to the War Office. According to the *Times* Simla correspondent however, the authorities in India disagree with this contention and declare that such subordination would be highly objectionable to maintain. The report visualises the early formation of an Imperial Military Advisory body under which the War Office, the Dominion military forces and the army of India would participate on equal terms in the execution of the Imperial military policy, the army of India being directly under the Government of India for organisation and administration.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S HEALTH.

SLIGHT RELAPSE DUE TO CAMPAIGN EXERTIONS.

WASHINGTON, October 11.

President Wilson has suffered a slight relapse. His illness is attributable to extra exertions in the campaign in the interests of Governor Cox. His friends and physicians are convinced that President Wilson has not regained his normal strength and must go a slower pace. A distinguished physician with excellent opportunities of studying the case states that while President Wilson will never recover his strength he will carry on as at present indefinitely. The case is like ordinary paralysis but President Wilson is determined to cope grimly daily with his work and play the game to the end with high courage.

CAPTURE OF VILNA.

GENERAL'S UNAUTHORISED ACTION.

POLISH GOVERNMENT MAY DISAVOW CONDUCT.

LONDON, October 11.

It appears that the Polish capture of Vilna was due to the unauthorised action of General Zeligowski who after resigning and cutting off communications with Warsaw and other Polish forces, marched his troops against Vilna. It is believed that the Polish Government will disavow his conduct.

BERLIN, October 11.

The Poles have taken the Lithuanian capital of Vilna and the Polish commander has proclaimed a new Government.

NORWAY AND RUSSIA

SOVIET ABANDONS TRADE NEGOTIATIONS.

LONDON, October 11.

The *Daily Telegraph* correspondent at Helmsing reports that M. Litvinoff declared that he left Norway in consequence of the impossibility of reaching an agreement with the Norwegian Government regarding commercial relations with Soviet Russia. He said that Norway's attitude towards the Soviet had completely changed during the summer and autumn.

COST OF LIVING

DOWNWARD MOVEMENT IN UNITED STATES.

NEW YORK, October 11.

The downward movement in the cost of living in the United States is indicated by the fact that Bradstreet's monthly index number representing the sum of the current prices of 96 foodstuffs and other necessities is 1,691 while the last figure was 1,952. Ten groups of commodities have declined, while textiles, raw cotton, wool, hemp, and the principal provisions and groceries are slightly higher.

PETROL PRICES REDUCED.

LONDON, October 11.

The Shell Company announces a reduction of 3d. a gallon in the price of petrol owing to a fall in the price in America.

COMMISSIONS FOR DEMOBILISED OFFICERS.

LONDON, October 11.

The *Poll Mail Gazette* understands that the Army Council has decided to offer a thousand commissions to demobilised officers. It adds that nearly every regiment has reached bedrock as far as officers are concerned, especially officers with war experience, most of whom have been absorbed into civil life.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 3/11½
To-day's opening rate 3/11½

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GERMAN ADMIRAL ASSASSINATED.

BERLIN, October 10th.

A message from Weimar says Admiral Bauer, his wife and her maid have been assassinated, and the Admiral's eighteen-year-old daughter, seriously wounded by two masked men who broke in the Admiral's villa in the afternoon.

One of the murderers, an artist named Buechner, committed suicide. The other fled.

The Admiral was asleep in an upper chamber, where the murders occurred. The motive of the crime has not yet been discovered as there was no theft of property.

FRENCH RAILWAY DISASTER.

PARIS, October 10th.

An appalling disaster overtook the Paris-Nantes express which was travelling at sixty miles an hour and ran into a goods train standing at Houilles station. Eight passenger coaches were telescoped. Twenty-five bodies of the dead have so far been recovered. Sixty were injured and were sent to Paris by a special relief train. It is feared that the number of injured persons totals a hundred.

It was ascertained at midnight that the death-toll was 32. The shock of the collision was so violent that many bodies were found totally unrecognised. Rescue work is being continued.

There are now forty-five persons reported to have been killed in the collision.

INDIAN RAILWAY OUTRAGE.

MADRAS, October 10th.

Thirteen third class passengers were killed and 15 injured by the derailment of a Bangalore mail train near Ankanam, owing to some person, who has so far not been arrested, removing a rail.

FIREPROOF AEROPLANE.

MINTOLA, October 8th.

American and British aviation experts witnessed a striking night demonstration by a civilian aviator Paul Collins with an alleged fireproof aeroplane with a patented device permitting safe night landings. Prior to ascend, the aeroplane was treated with the fireproof substance; then saturated with petrol. Collins donned a suit, similarly treated with petrol. At a height of 5,000 feet, he set fire to the aeroplane which thrillingly volplaned cone-like and made a perfect landing. The whole landing field was illuminated by two magnesium flares, dropped from the wing-tips and reflected by mirrors under the fuselage.

BROAD DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

CLEVELAND (Ohio), October 10th.

A most daring hold-up in the street is reported from Buffalo. Two men jumped from a taxi-cab and knocked down a diamond salesman, named Leventhal, whom they had followed from Cleveland, senseless with the bursts of revolvers. They then carried off a suit case, which Leventhal was carrying, containing diamonds worth \$20,000.

INVOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY.

NEW YORK, October 8th.

An involuntary bankruptcy petition has been filed against the Victor Fox Company and thirteen allied and subsidiary organisations.

U.S. PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.

NEW YORK, October 8th.

Speaking at Nashville, Mr. Cox, the Democratic candidate for the Presidency, formally accepted the League of Nations as the issue of the campaign. Referring to Senator Harding's denunciation of the present League, he said, "Now he is against the League, I for it." Mr. Cox, further, declared that as soon as possible after March 4th, if elected, he, with the Senate, would consider the Peace Treaty and the question of reservations, if any, of these those that are helpful will be accepted and the Treaty will be ratified.

Dis. Moutre, October 8th.

Senator Harding, in a speech, declared that America was not being selfish and aloof but would never allow a council of foreign Powers at Geneva to dictate to her. America wanted to play her own part in the world's affairs.

Senator Harding declared that he favoured the rejection of the Covenant written at Versailles, but declared again for an Association of Nations instead of the League of Nations. He said that as soon as possible, after he was elected, he would consult the best minds in the United States, especially in the Senate, in regard to the Association of Nations for the promotion of international peace, but one which should definitely safeguard American sovereignty and recognise America's ultimate and unmortgaged freedom of action.

He was of opinion that Great Britain was approaching the solution of the Irish question but he would no more tell Great Britain what to do about Ireland than he would permit Great Britain to tell Americans what they should do in the Philippines.

RETORT IN TONKE.

SYRACUSE, October 8th.

It is reported, according to the *Pittsburgh Courier*, that Tonkin has been occupied by anti-Soviet peasants led by "White" officers. Several Red commissaries were captured and killed.

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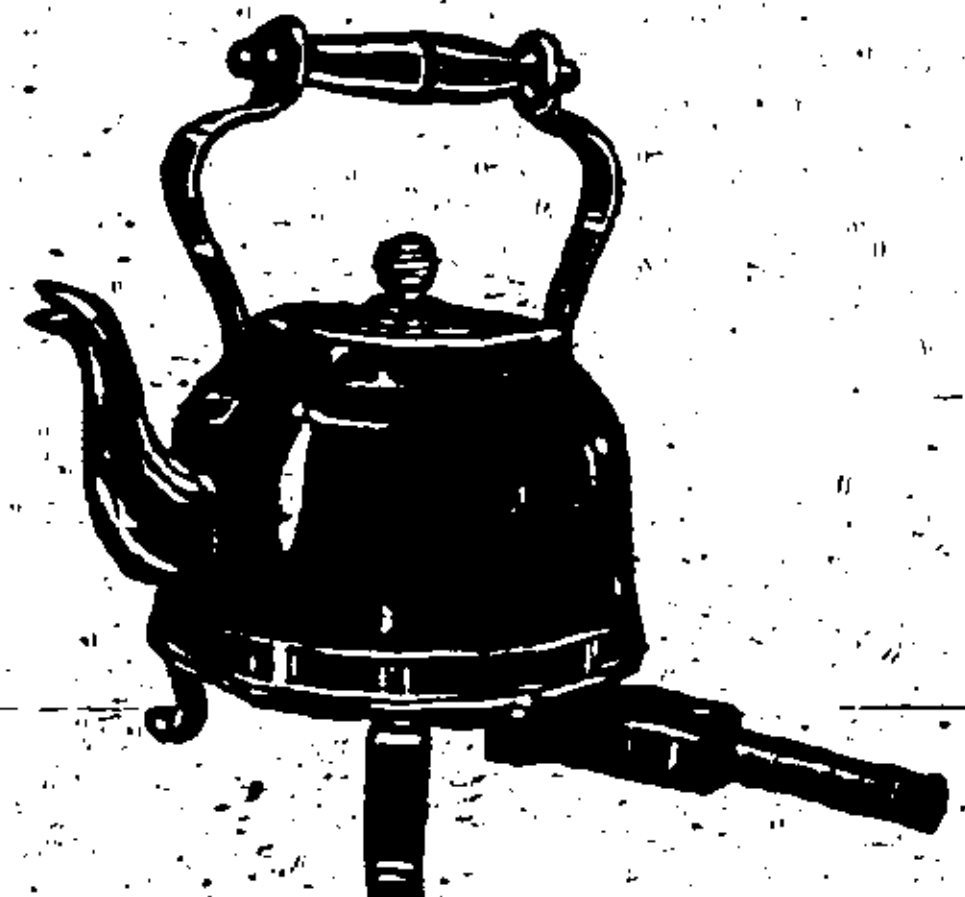
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Des Voeux Road, Corner of
Lo House Street.

Miscellaneous Goods,
including:
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Machines, Number small Iron Saws,
Trunks, Singlets, & Sample Piece Goods,
etc., etc.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, October 11, 1920.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF THE
Valuable Leasehold Property
SITUATE AT
Victoria, Hongkong, and registered in
the Land Office as Section "B" Marine
Lot No. 90, and the Building thereon.

To be sold by order of the Mortgagees

by
PUBLIC AUCTION

on
WEDNESDAY

the 3rd day of November, 1920, at
12 noon, in One Lot

by
Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,

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at their Auction Rooms in Des Voeux
Road Central.

The Property is situated in the Western District and consists of:
All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Section "B" Marine Lot No. 90 and is covered by Premises known as 2 and 4, Wilmer Street, two storied Chinese Godowns built of brick with tile roofs, held for the residue of a term of 999 years created therein by a Crown Lease dated the 24th day of September 1856 and made between Her late Majesty Queen Victoria of the one part and Adam Scott of the other part.

Area:—3960 square feet or thereabouts.

Crown Rent:—£3 15 0.

Particulars and Conditions of sale may be had from:

Messrs. DEACON, LOOKER,

DEACON & HARSTON,

1, Des Voeux Road Central

Vendor Solicitors,

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Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,

The Auctioneers.

Hongkong, October 9, 1920.

FOR SALE

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Lo House Street.

The Motor Yacht "IRENE"

Built 1916. Had very little usage.

Hull.....Taskwood.

Length, water line 29' 9" over all 35ft.

Beam.....7 ft.

Draft.....3 ft.

Motor "Scripps" Heavy Duty 14 H.P. Complete with lavatory, refrigerator, suit of sails and all accessories.

Price and full particulars may be had from the undersigned.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, October 6, 1920.

FOR SALE

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Lo House Street.

A Private collection of about 250 Chinese Snuff Bottles including many rare specimens

with cabinet

Owner leaving the Colony

Particulars from the undersigned

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, October 13, 1920.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY

the 15th October, 1920, at 10.30 a.m.

within the Chamber, at Naval Depot, Kowloon.

H.M.S. "SANDPIPER,"

Length between perpendiculars 100 ft.

Breadth, extreme.....20'.

(Flat Keel to upper)

Depth in hold, side of Upper Deck.....5' 9 in

(planking amidships)

Tonnage according to British Rules.....Not measured

Nominal Displacement.....85 tons

At mean draft of.....2 ft. 6 in.

Present mean draft.....2 ft. 6 in.

By whom.....Hongkong

By whom.....In sections by Messrs. & Co.

Materials of Construction:—

Wood.....Deck Sheathing, Fittings, in

Cabins, Messes, etc.

Iron.....Deck Fittings, etc.

Steel.....Hull, Bulkhead, Fittings, etc.

Decks, names of:—

Main, Hold and Battery Decks.

Armour:—Nil.

As she now lies.

A detailed of fittings to be sold

with the Ship may be seen at the Offices

of the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Dock-

yard, Hongkong, and structural and

other particulars can be obtained from

the Chief Constructor, H. M. Dockyard,

Hongkong.

The Vessel will be open to inspection

from the 15th Sept. to the day of sale

inclusive, between the hours of 10 a.m.

and 4 p.m. Inspecting orders can be

obtained with full Particulars and

Conditions of Sale on application to the

Auctioneers.

On presenting this order to the Pier

Master in the Dockyard the person

named thereon will be conveyed to and

from the Ship. The Ship may not be

boarded from a private boat.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

By Appointment Auctioneers to the

Admiralty.

Hongkong, September 14, 1920.

TUESDAY

the 7th December, 1920, at 11 a.m.,

within the Chamber, at Naval Depot,

Kowloon.

H.M. TUG "ST. SAMPSON,"

Length between per-

pendiculars.....135 ft. 0 in.

Breadth, extreme.....30' 9"

Depth (under side of 6 in. 16' 7 1/2

Bar Keel to Upper Deck

Tonnage according to

British Rules.....451 ft. 0 in. Tons.

Nominal Displacement.....850 Tons.

At mean draft of.....13 ft. 10 in.

Present mean draft.....10 ft. 9 in.

Where.....Hongkong

When.....September, 1919

By whom.....Hongkong & Wham-

pos Dock Co., Ltd.

Materials of Construction:—

Wood.....Fittings in Cabins, etc.

Iron.....General Fittings on Deck, etc.

Steel.....Hull, Bulkheads, etc.

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The Vessel is now on view between

the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

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Hongkong, Oct. 6, 1920.

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1920, at 5.30 p.m.

NOTE.—A launch for the conveni-

ence of Members will leave Queen's

Statue Pier at 5 p.m.

By Order,

R. E. MACDOUGALL,

Hon. Sec. & Treasurer.

Hongkong, October 12, 1920.

NOTICE

CONSELHO DE ADMINISTRACAO

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13, 1920.

ANTHROPOPHANY.

Long ago the greater and the lesser gods began a game, a game that is still going on. Tired of playing knucklebones with the molecules and electrons and things that they found lying about on the floor of the empyrean, they took these things as men take poker chips, and gave to them various and arbitrary values. They made the blue chips, for example, nitric acid, and the red ones chloride of potassium, and enjoyed the spectacle of that which happened whenever the two got mixed in the game. They made the water and the fire, and they made the carnivore to kill the herbivore. They made what men for a long time called the elements, until men found out that in this game of the gods even elements change and become something else. Wood becomes stone, and stone in its turn becomes mud, and mud again stone. Force and matter are the battledore and shuttlecock of this Olympian game. Then the god of the gods yawned, and said that though the game was amusing, there was too much sameness about it. Couldn't anyone think of a spice of variety? The infinite variety of nature, as seen by men, is, of course, a mere monotony of repetition up there. The god of Fun offered a suggestion. Let some of the chips themselves be made to play the game. Give them what they call "life" (as if everything were not alive) but what we, he said, know to be the illusion they will call Ego. Then pull their legs. Sentence in a counter is sure to give us laughter. It did. They are laughing yet at the amazing antics of their pawns. Only occasionally do they frown, and that is when some man tumbles to the trick, and "makes" game of that "which makes as much of him." For then the empyrean foundations rock, and the gods grow alarmed and angry lest their creatures shall become even as they are, divine and aloof and impure. These occasions are rare, the manifestations and puppets for the most part behaving with an exquisite solemnity that is divinely absurd. When the god of Mischief puffs his breath at them, they make ready for what they call war, and it is truly diverting to observe the manner in which the

little things shatter each other, scattering blood and entrails about. The Olympian laughter grows almost uproarious, enough to stop the game when these miniature theatromorphs are observed to be taking themselves seriously. They actually issue orders and commands to each other, and have invented a notion called Duty which makes them do the silliest conceivable stunts. To see one of them knitting his brows and pretending to plan and design and organize is the prettiest kindergarten trick imaginable, and always sends the baby gods into convulsions. It is so very lifelike. It is, smilingly observes the god who is responsible for the subordinate game of languages, a veritable anthropophany, which means a revelation of the nature of men to the gods that made them what they are, and is so hard to spell that we need not insist upon it. The god of Mischief invented all the chief improvements in these toys, such as acquisitiveness, pugnaciousness, egomania, and dignity, and it was he who achieved the cream of the whole joke. He took the sense of humour and tied it to them behind, as a boy ties a piece of ribbon to a puppy's tail, so that they must forever engage in a frantic pursuit of the unattainable. It was the divine hilarity thereof that originated typhoons.

SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS.

One must admit that with many schools and few teachers the job of our Director of Education must sometimes present problems liable to tax the utmost ingenuity of a far cleverer man. Recently there has been a sort of game of "General Post" played, due, we understand, to the elevation of a school master to the University professorate. It appears that the wife of this ex-schoolmaster is a school-mistress, and that removal to the University residential quarters, with her husband, took her a long way from the school at which she taught. It is natural that the idea of getting transferred to a more conveniently situated school should occur to her. For this purpose more than one change was necessary; it was not a single exchange, but about the way we may (or may not) have something to say later. Our immediate point is this. For months the lady had been coaching the pupils at her original school for the Junior Local Examinations, which take place in December. Can the lady who replaced her, who came, we understand, from kindergarten

work at Kowloon, fairly be expected to carry on where she left off? If not, is it fair to the pupils who are going to sit at those imminent examinations, or to their parents? We suggest that the professor's lady, residing at the University, although, like Elijah in the oratorio, she had a long journey before her, might have managed to carry on until after the exams. She could have done it for a single ten-cent tram fare. And she need only have done it for something under three months. This criticism is submitted quite kindly and respectfully, as the request of parents who fear that much of their children's work will have been wasted.

A PROPERTY DEAL.

Some of the people who may have read last night's *Telegraph* were invited to digest the suggestion that we have done an evil and a cruel thing. We maliciously and falsely contradicted a "news" item appearing in our staid and always infallible contemporary, and made a statement which encouraged the deluded tenants of a certain property to feel "more secure in their tenure." That, if we had done it, was a cruel thing to do. The only possible redeeming feature of it was that it afforded our inveterate contemporary this opportunity of screaming "We told you so." We like to see children happy, and our present job of throwing a chunk of doubt into the self-complacent kindergarten is distasteful to us. They "definitely learn" that the Asiatic Petroleum Company has purchased Bank Buildings from the Bellios Estate, at 800 the square foot, the premises occupying about eleven thousand square feet. Notice has been served on the tenants, to give up possession at the end of February. The Manager of the A.P.C. tells the *Telegraph* that the company intends to erect a palatial building of about six stories, subject to P.W.D. permission. We do not know whether the present tenants, whose emotions we can appreciate, feel as bitter against us as our contemporary wants them to be, because of the "disclaimer" that gave them a false sense of security; but we can cheerfully assure them that they wrong us if they do. They must have noticed, if the *Telegraph* did not, that the disclaimer was published as coming from Mr. R. E. Bellios himself. It was our duty to publish it, just as it would have been the duty of the *Telegraph* to publish it, if it had been asked. We recall that we suggested to Mr. Bellios at the time that he should ask the *Telegraph*, and not the *China Mail*, to correct the news, and publish his assurance that he had no intention of selling the property, and that he said he preferred the larger circulation of the *Mail*, as he knew it to be more likely to reach his tenants. He was at that time moved by stories of "profiteering" and anxious to get a good example to landlords. He is away from the Colony just now, and it may be that in that fact lies the explanation of this deal being put through, though we know nothing about it. All we point out to our smugly censorious contemporary is, what if should have known, and probably did know, that the disclaimer was not ours, but the landlord's. Even a veiled reproach at Mr. Bellios, in his absence, would be unfair, for it may turn out that this deal has been put through without his participation or consent. Why couldn't they have the sense to publish this news, which as journalists call it, without spoiling it by adding innuendoes that are childish and silly and mean to boot?

L'ESPRIT D'ESCALIER.

Last night's *Telegraph* says, inter alia, that it gave currency to this news some time ago. What it did say, in June, was that the property was "about to be sold to a London syndicate." It gave "the object of the intended buyers" also. That London syndicate was going to erect a seven storey block of shops and offices. It said this syndicate had an option on the property. So that as far as the disclaimer went, it was right enough. The *Telegraph's* statements—all except the price—were false. It ignores this now in its "old you so" story of last night. We stated plainly at the time that Mr. Bellios had requested us to contradict the story, and we quoted Mr. Bellios as stating that "a slight change in the status of the tenants will ensue, namely, an old tenant's lease is shortly to expire, and those who have sub-tenanted from him will find themselves now direct tenants of the Bellios Estate instead of tenants of another tenant." And we immediately said, "These words," He assures us that as Executor and chief beneficiary he has no intention whatever of disposing of the building.

the present tenants will remain unchanged." On the strength of that the gentlemen who conduct the *Telegraph* drag us in as responsible for lulling the tenants into a feeling of false security. Scarcely cricket, what?

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Paymaster Lieut.-Commander R. Carter has been appointed to the "Carlisle," on recommissioning.

Major A. G. Grierson, R.M.L.I., is appointed to H.M.S. "Kimsha," on staff of S.N.O., Yangtze, as D.I.O. Shanghai.

Mr. C. W. Heard, acting leading man of stores, Hongkong Victualling Yard, has been appointed storehouse-man, Royal William Victualling Yard, Plymouth.

For failing to register himself within 48 hours of his residence in the Colony, a Dutchman, named Van Houten was fined \$75 in the third court, Singapore.

Miss Maude Fane, the actress, well-known in the East has married again. Her new spouse belongs to the Imperial navy, but has been attached to H.M.A.S. "Brisbane" on the Australian station for several months. His rank is that of a lieutenant, his native country Surrey, England, and his name Forley Knight.

With much pomp and ceremony and amidst many signs of sorrow the remains of His Royal Highness the Prince of Bismarck were cremated at Bangkok on September 24. The procession was largely a military one and was finely impressive. It was witnessed by great crowds of people whom the heavy rain that fell just before the procession moved off did not deter.

An appeal is made to Britons overseas for assistance in connection with a fund of £50,000 required for the farm Colony for sailors and soldiers suffering from tuberculosis. The Council of the Association has acquired an ideal property of 115 acres at Frimley in Surrey, and operations have already begun. Donations should be sent to Lord Glenconner, at 20 Hanover square, London, W.I.

A record output of tonnage for the first eight months of the year has been made by the Clyde shipyards. Since Jan. 1 139 vessels, aggregating 430,244 tons, have been launched. The previous record was set up in 1907, when 165 vessels of 421,085 tons were launched during the first eight months. The August total consisted of 24 vessels of 79,982 tons gross, which is the second best output on record for that month.

The *Bangkok Daily Mail* understands that a draft copy of the new Treaty of Friendship, Commerce and Navigation between Siam and the United States of America is expected to arrive in Bangkok some time next month. The Treaty is to go before the Senate at its next sitting, about Christmas time. It is expected that there will be some opposition to it, but it seems likely to pass, perhaps with a few minor amendments. The Hon. G. W. P. Hunt, the United States Minister, stated that President Wilson was most anxious to have the new treaty put into force, as he wished to see Siam obtain all her due rights and privileges.

China is shortly to have a second National University. This will be established at Nanking on the site where the Nanking Exhibition was held. Through the efforts of Dr. Huang Yuen-pai, vice-president of the Kiangsu Educational Association, the owner of the site of land in question, which covers about 600 mu, has consented to give his property to the University. Colleges of arts and science will be opened as a beginning, but it is expected that later colleges of education, agriculture, technology, and commerce may be added. The college of education will probably be affiliated with the Government Teachers' College at Nanking and the college of commerce will no doubt be established in Shanghai on account of the special facilities offered there.

In reference to the story that eight million worth of long-distance telephone equipment said to have been ordered by the former Anfu Ministry of Communications is being held by the Maritime Customs in Shanghai because of refusal of the present Government to receive delivery, says the *Peking Leader*, the Japanese Legation here has instructed the Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai to find out if the equipment is actually in Shanghai. The Consul-General reports to the Legation here that he inquired of the Commissioner of Customs in Shanghai as to whether the Customs had the material in their possession. The Commissioner, he says, made light of the idea, and denied he was holding such material. It is stated by a Japanese business man in Peking that a large quantity of telephone equipment such as that called for by the Anfu-Japanese agreement has already safely arrived in Peking.

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

YESTERDAY'S MEETING.

EIGHT CLUBS REPRESENTED.

A meeting of the Hongkong Cricket League was held in the Hongkong Cricket Club pavilion yesterday evening. Mr. T. E. Pearce, who presided, was supported by Mr. H. H. Taylor (Hon. Sec.). The following Clubs were represented:—Kowloon C.C. (Mr. L. J. Blackburn), Civil Service C.C. (Mr. W. H. Edmonds), Hongkong C.C. (Mr. C. Blake), Indian R.C. (Mr. A. H. Rumball), Chinese R.C. (Mr. H. Yeak), University C.C. (Mr. H. Yeak), R.G.A. (Master Gunner May) and Staff (Capt. Rhodes).

The Chairman, in proposing the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, congratulated the R.G.A. on winning the Shield, and the R.E. and I.A. for being a close runner-up. There were only nine entries for the league and each team would play the other one. There had been a possibility of holding two divisions, but some of the teams had withdrawn. It was, however, desirable to keep the matter of holding two leagues in mind as perhaps next season it could be carried into effect.

Mr. Blackburn seconded the adoption of the report and statement of accounts and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Blackburn proposed that \$90 be voted to the R.G.A. for medals.

Mr. Blacker seconded and this was agreed to.

The following were elected officers:

President: The Hon. Dr. C. Severn.

Vice-President: Mr. R. E. O. Bird.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Mr. H. H. Taylor.

The teams who have entered for the League are: R.G.A., I.R.C., Kowloon C.C., Hongkong C.C., Staff and Departments, Civil Service, Craigengower, University, C.R.C.

The following teams have not entered, but friendly fixtures could be arranged with them:—Navy, Police, Wilshire, Club de Recreo and R.E. and I.A.

New books of rules will be sent to the Secretaries of each club.

MACAO OBITUARY.

MR. P. JOSE DA LUZ.

POPULAR RESIDENT DEAD.

The death occurred in Macao on Sunday of Mr. Patricio Jose da Luz, an old and respected resident of that city. The deceased, who was 65 years of age, was well known and popular, and his demise is a sad loss to the Portuguese community in the East.

The funeral which took place on Monday was attended by a large gathering of Macao residents, including H.E. the Governor, the President and Body of the Leal Senado, R. Rev. Fr. Nunes, Lieut.-Comdr. Correa, Major Lobato and Messrs. A. J. Vital, A. A. de Mello and Pedro Nolasco.

The procession from the deceased's residence to the cemetery was headed by the girls of the Italian Convent, followed by the boys and girls of the Municipal Schools, the girls of the Santa Rosa, and the boys of St. Joseph's College. Others who formed the procession were the clergy, and a large number of the general public.

At the cemetery, Dr. Luis Nolasco da Silva, the President of the Leal Senado, who addressed the gathering said that he was present in the name of the Leal Senado, the people of Macao, and the Associação Promotora da Instrução dos Macaenses, of which the deceased was the founder, one of the Presidents of the Association and for 15 years its Secretary, to bid the deceased a last farewell. The occasion was too full of grief to enable him to do justice, in a speech, to the life of the deceased, and the good work he had done for the education of the children of Macao. The deceased, who was secretary of the Leal Senado for 25 years, and an ex-teacher and Director of the Municipal Schools, was the last of a group of Macaenses who were educated by the Jesuit fathers of the old days, and who had rendered much valuable service for the well being of Macao in general.

The people of Macao deeply mourned the death of one of the most honourable and highly respected members of the community, and as a sign of respect, the flag of the Leal Senado was flown at half mast all day, and all the schools were closed.

DIPHTHERIA—HOW IT MAY BE AVOIDED.

DIPHTHERIA is usually contracted when the child has a cold. The cold prepares the child's system for the reception and development of the diphtheria germs. When there are signs of diphtheria in the neighbourhood children must be kept at home and off the street until recovered. Give them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and they will not have to remain at home long. It also cleans out the culture, which form in a child's throat when it has a cold, and removes the risk of contracting infectious diseases. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SHOP SHIFTING.

CURIO DEALERS FEAR SHORTAGE.

CLAIM FOR \$1,000.

In the Summary Court this morning the Police Judge, Mr. Justice Wood, heard an action in which the Kwong Sang firm, blackwood and curio dealers of Old Post Office Buildings, sued The Nikko Company of Hongkong Hotel Buildings for \$1,000 as damages for breach of contract to let a portion of the Hongkong Hotel Buildings.

Mr. A. el Arculli appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. J. H. Gardiner for the defendant.

Opening the case Mr. Arculli said that the parties were curio dealers. In August last the plaintiffs who had to give up their premises in Old Post Office Buildings in the present month, approached the defendants with a view to renting part of the latter's shop. The defendants said they would consider the matter but nothing was heard of it until three weeks later, when defendants intimated that they could not let a part of their shop, but promised the premises at present occupied by Messrs. Brewer and Co. Certain terms were verbally arranged and the parties agreed to the drafting of a lease which plaintiffs undertook to prepare. The draft was submitted on Sept. 19 to defendants who wanted plaintiffs to take possession on September 15. When plaintiffs called on defendant to take him to Mr. Arculli's office, he was put off until the evening. A letter was then written by Mr. Arculli to which defendants replied declining to complete the transaction. Plaintiff had not been able to get other premises. The lease was for three years and Messrs. Brewer & Co. were to be given six months notice. That accounted for the fact that the lease was dated for March 1921.

Evidence was given by the manager of the plaintiff firm, who said he took the draft to defendants on Sept. 9. They came to an agreement which was embodied in the document. The name "Nikko and Co." was written in the agreement, while 3½ years was changed to 3 years.

His Lordship: When this agreement was presented it had no stamp on it?

Witness: No, my Lord.

Plaintiff continued that the defendant agreed to sign the lease at the solicitor's office at 10 a.m. on the 15th September in the morning at 10 a.m. The defendant failed to attend and he later explained that he changed 3½ years to 3 years because he had to give notice to Brewer.

Mr. Gardiner said the defendant contended that there was never a final agreement between the parties and that it was subject to other negotiations falling through. When they wrote the letter they were in a position to let the premises to Kwong Sang but defendants said they had never had a definite agreement and did not intend to let them have the premises.

A representative of the defendant firm with whom the negotiations were conducted, said he never definitely told the plaintiffs that they could have the premises because he knew there were other negotiations.

His Lordship reserved judgment.

ALLEGED THREATS.

SHANGHAI CASE.

CRIMINAL CHARGE DISMISSED.

Robert L. Ward was charged in the United States Court for China before Mr. F. J. Schuhl, Commissioner, with having on or about September 18 threatened to shoot one Everard C. Endt in the Burlington Hotel; further with having assaulted the said Endt at the same time and place.

Mr. J. B. Davies appeared for Mr. Endt; Mr. R. S. Haskell for the defence; and Major Chancery P. Holcomb, District Attorney, for the U. S. Government.

Mr. Davies rose when the case was called, and stated that he was instructed by Mr. Endt to withdraw the charge.

The Commissioner said that he could not dismiss the case when an application was made by a complaining witness. The motion had to be made by the District Attorney. He did not think it was right that a criminal charge be brought against a man on one day and withdrawn later.

Major Holcomb then made the motion and the case was dismissed.

The Commissioner warned Ward to keep away from Endt in future.

The Committee of Lloyd's, recognizing the importance of aviation insurance, has approved the establishment of a Lloyd's Aviation Record, the first part of which will shortly be issued to subscribers. This will contain information in respect to aircraft and pilots, and it is intended to follow this with further information as to technical personnel, aerodromes, lighting, waters, air routes, foreign laws, etc. The scope of the record will be international, and steps are being taken to establish Lloyd's aviation agents and surveyors at home and abroad.

V. R. C. MOSQUITO YACHT SECTION.

FIRST BOAT READY FOR DRAW.

As intimated at the time in the *China Mail*, the contractor to the V. R. C. Mosquito Yacht Section was to have three or four boats ready each month, and the 22 subscribers were to draw for them, and take delivery as they were available.

Although that was nearly three months ago, only one boat has been delivered. It has been at the V.R.C. about a week or more, and has not yet been drawn for. We hear some yarn about it being "reserved for the committee's use," but that is nonsense as the committee has no power to reserve it. It will probably be drawn for immediately.

One of our representatives (who is a subscriber) was permitted to try it on Saturday afternoon, and he reports as follows:

The hull is all right, its roominess atoning for its squat appearance. But the rigging is not. Evidently the low price has compelled the contractor to supply the cheapest and least satisfactory sort of cheap gear. Designed for single handed sailing, the boat requires at present a crew of three for safety, as well as for ballast. The sheets jam in the blocks. The 15 sheets are not long enough to be handled from the tiller seat, and they catch forward of the mast. A projecting screw at the top of the rudder post catches the main sheet. With a crew of one, he must jump about as actively as a cat or a monkey, and with out ballast she simply will not make much progress against our ordinary harbour currents, as she makes enormous leeway. Personally, I shall re-rig mine, when I get it, setting up stouter stays, and using better blocks and sheets, as I want it for single handed use.

TWO STOWAWAYS.

ARRESTED IN HONGKONG.

"A HIGHLY IMPROBABLE STORY."

Two South Americans were this morning charged before Magistrate Orme, at the Magistracy, with stowing away on the s.s. "Eastern Trader" from Shanghai to Hongkong.

Inspector Spear, of the Water Police, who prosecuted, said that since the previous hearing, he had taken the defendants to the Mexican and Chilean Consulates, respectively. The first defendant was unable to satisfy the Mexican Consul as to his nationality, and the latter refused to have anything to do with him. The second defendant successfully proved that he was a Chilean citizen, and the Consul, while refusing to pay the defendant's fine, had undertaken to look after him after he had been dealt with by the Court.

The defendants said that their sole object was to get to Manila to look for work.

The Magistrate: You will have to find work on a ship first. You are not allowed to stowaway.

The defendants: We will try to find work.

Inspector Spear said that the defendants told him that they worked their way on a ship from America. On the ship's arrival at Yokohama, they went ashore to see the sights, and were left behind by the ship which sailed before the scheduled time. They were stranded at Yokohama for some time, and then succeeded in finding work on a ship to Shanghai. There they had no luck in finding work, and stowed away on the "Eastern Trader" to Hongkong.

The Inspector said that the defendants' story appeared to him to be highly improbable. He did not think that the ship on which the defendants were working would have sailed before the scheduled time. It looked to him as if the defendants had left the ship at Yokohama, of their own accord.

The Magistrate enquired if the defendants could be sent to the House of Detention.

Inspector Spear said that that institution was for vagrants only. Stowaways would have to go to jail.

The Magistrate passed sentence of 21 days' hard labour each.

TERRIBLE DEATH.

CHINA SUGAR REFINERY ACCIDENT.

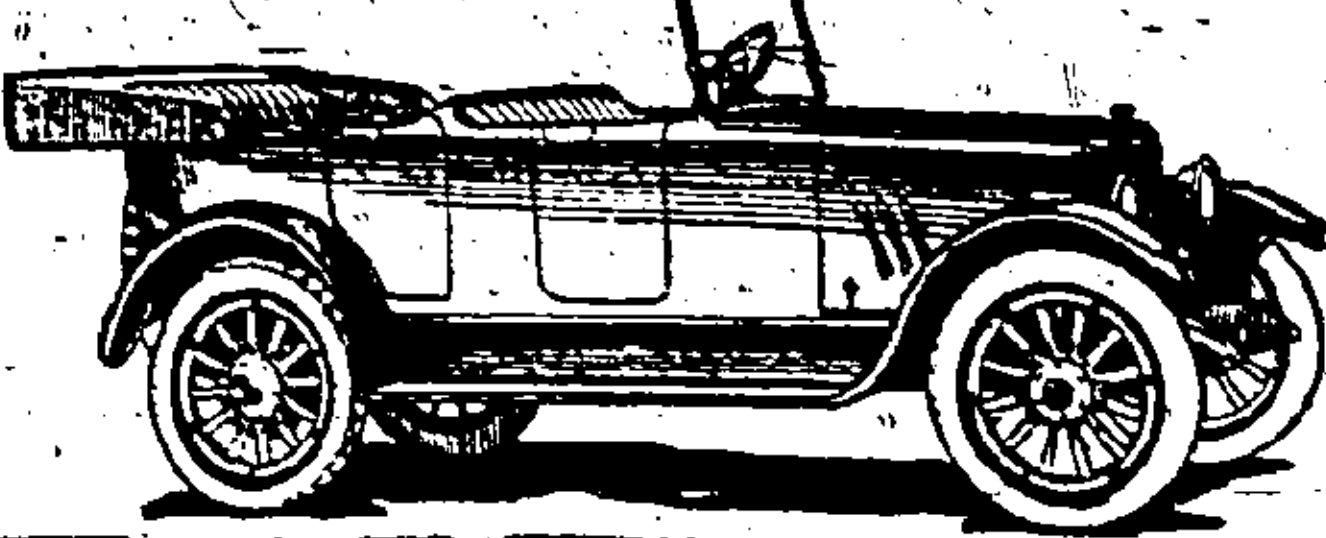
MAN CRUSHED BY MACHINERY.

The dead body of a Chinese, aged about 26 years, employed as an engine oiler at the China Sugar Refinery, was yesterday removed to the public mortuary. The man met his death under very distressing circumstances.

It appears that while oiling the engine, he was caught by the leather belt of the machinery and whirled round. By the time the machinery was stopped, the unfortunate man was dead. His chest was badly crushed by the machinery, and death must have been instantaneous.

MERCURY MOTOR CAR CO.

59-61 Des Voeux Road Central, HONGKONG.



TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

IRISH PROBLEM.

THE ONE ISSUE OF SUPREME IMPORTANCE.

HELLISH POLICY OF REPRISALS.

LONDON, October 11.

Mr. Asquith replied to Mr. Lloyd George on Oct. 9 in a communication to the press in which he describes the Premier's speech as a declaration of insolvency on the part of the Coalition Government. "Ireland presents the one issue of supreme importance involving both the safety of the empire and honour and good name of Britain. The only Irish policy the Premier has to offer is a repudiation of the policy of reprisals. An attempt to answer murder by murder, outrage by terrorism, is not Government but anarchy."

FIGHTING IN MESOPOTAMIA.

THOUSAND ARABS ROUTED.

LIGHT CASUALTIES.

LONDON, October 11.

A Mesopotamia communique states that 11 were killed and 49 wounded in fighting south of Hilla in the Middle Euphrates region. The enemy casualties were probably heavier. A thousand Arabs opposed the advance of the Samawah relief column but were routed. Our losses were slight. In the Upper Euphrates we recaptured Hit without opposition.

GREEK KING ILL.

LONDON, October 11.

A message from Athens dated October 10 says the King is worse.

ATHENS, October 11.

The King has shown marked signs of improvement. His temperature has fallen to 94.8. A French specialist is en route to Athens.

PROPOSED CABLE PURCHASE.

OFFER TO AMERICAN COMPANY.

ACCEPTANCE RECOMMENDED.

LONDON, October 11.

The Government has offered to buy direct the United States Cable Company's property. The directors recommend acceptance of the offer. The price is not stated.

THE PRINCE'S HOMECOMING.

ROYAL WELCOME AT PORTSMOUTH.

"MOVING AND INSPIRING EXPERIENCE."

LONDON, October 11.

The Prince of Wales had a most enthusiastic welcome home from his Australasian tour to-day. The firing of a royal salute by beflagged warships greeted his arrival at Portsmouth where, looking well and cheery, the Prince was welcomed by an imposing assembly of naval, military and civil authorities. Replying to an address by the Mayor, the Prince said that he returned most deeply touched and impressed by the unity and strength of the sentiment binding all parts of his Majesty's Dominions to the Crown and making the future of the British Empire secure. So firm and clear was this devotion to British ideals and the King their head, that his travels throughout had been a profoundly moving and inspiring experience. He was looking forward greatly now to his stay at home. He feared we were still only at the beginning of the labours necessary to restore our credit and prosperity as before the war. He was deeply interested in the problem of reconstruction, which all parts of the nation must pull together to solve.

The Prince had a warm welcome at Victoria Station which was decorated with the Imperial flags. The platform where the special train drew up was carpeted with red balm-decorated with flowers. A large banner inscribed "Well done" and "Welcome home" faced the Royal saloon. The Coldstream Guards supplied the guard of honour. Their Majesties, Princess Mary, Prince Alexander and the Duke of Connaught, Prince Arthur of Connaught and other Royalties, the Premier, members of the Cabinet, High Commissioners, the Agents General, Indian Princes, high authorities of the Navy, Army and Air Force, the Lord Chief Justice, the Prime and other Bishops were present. Huge crowds most heartily cheered the Prince as he drove in a state carriage through decorated streets to the palace whither their Majesties and royalties returned in separate processions.

"OUR YOUNG MAN."

The press gives a very warm welcome to the Prince in editorials recalling the great services to the empire in his recent travels of "our young man," or alternatively, "The Empire's greatest Ambassador." "The Renown" yesterday was escorted to Spithead by a destroyer flotilla and aeroplanes. The Prince remained aboard last night. Everything is now complete for a magnificent national welcome to-day. It has been arranged that the Royal train will slow down at wayside stations on its way to London to enable everyone possible to greet the Prince.

ENTHUSIASTIC DEMONSTRATIONS.

LONDON, October 11.

The most enthusiastic welcome accorded the Prince of Wales at Portsmouth and London was renewed at Buckingham Palace this afternoon when, in response to the cheers of an enormous crowd, the Prince and their Majesties appeared on the balcony. The Prince waved his handkerchief and made a speech acknowledging the splendid spontaneous welcome. Subsequently the Prince of Wales returned to York House, his motor car being repeatedly held up by crowds. He smilingly acknowledged these demonstrations of affection.

SPECIAL CABLES.

CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.

APPRECIATION OF WORK.

(China Mail Special.)

SHANGHAI, Oct. 13.

The British Minister at Peking has sent a dispatch to the Shanghai Consulate embodying the Home Government's appreciation of the cooperation of the Chambers of Commerce and urging the necessity of maintaining the spirit of the promotion of Britain's commercial interests.

WILD REPORTS.

PRESIDENT'S ASSASSINATION REPORTED.

(China Mail Special.)

SHANGHAI, October 13.

There are wild reports that Chang Tso-lin has seized the capital by a monarchical coup and of the President's alleged flight or assassination. These reports are unconfirmed but there is acute tension.

TUCHUN COMMITS SUICIDE.

SACRIFICE TO SAVE NATION.

(China Mail Special.)

SHANGHAI, Oct. 13.

Li Shun, Tuchun of Kiangsu, committed suicide on Tuesday at Nanjing. Letters were found stating that he was heartbroken at his inability to save his country and that his sacrifice was for the sake of the nation. He leaves half his fortune to famine relief and education.

SELLING GRAVES.

SEXTON'S ALLEGED FRAUD.

ARREST AFTER SIX MONTHS.

Charging a Chinese before Magistrate Dyer Ball this morning, with unlawfully converting \$105 to his own use, Sub-Inspector Murphy said that the defendant was the Sexton of the Chinese Cemetery at Aberdeen. He was instructed by a Chinese woman who was the holder of two graves in the cemetery to sell them for her as she did not like them. The defendant secured a buyer for the graves, and was paid \$105 for them. Instead of paying the money to the woman, he converted it to his own use. When the fraud came to light in May, the defendant absconded, and was not seen again until a couple of days ago when he was arrested.

Mr. C. F. Mason who appeared for the defence, said that he had only just been retained, and would like a remand in order to receive instructions from his client.

The Magistrate remanded the case until the afternoon of Monday next.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE.

THE WEEK'S RETURNS.

The return of notifiable diseases for the week ending Oct. 9, shows two cases of diphtheria, one Portuguese and the other Indian, four cases of enteric fever of which one ended fatally and two Chinese cases of cerebro spinal fever, both of which were fatal. There were in addition ten fatal cases of influenza all the victims being Chinese. The return for the 24 hours ended Oct. 12 shows a fatal case of plague (Jamaican) and a fatal case of C.S.M.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

MOTOR CYCLIST INJURED.

CRASH INTO SIDE DRAIN.

Seaman Sheppard, of H.M.S. "Carlisle," was yesterday the victim of a serious motor cycle accident in which he received such serious injuries that he had to be removed to the Naval Hospital.

It appears that while driving motor cycle No. 269 on Stanley Road, the back tyre of the cycle suddenly burst, as Sheppard was negotiating the steep at Chawan Gap. The accident caused the cycle to swerve, and before Sheppard could right himself, the machine crashed into the side drain, and he was thrown heavily to the ground receiving a fractured knee and a sprained ankle. The front part of the cycle was smashed beyond repairs.

Sheppard lay on the road for quite a while before he was picked up by a passing motorist and conveyed to town. While Sheppard's injuries were serious they are not permanent.

SUNSHINE AND COMMON SENSE.

DON'T doctor your blood for rheumatism. Use an external application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. In a few days it will get you up and out into the sun. Don't let your blood run the red blood to your veins and soon rid the system of this troublesome disease. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BILLIARDS.

PALACE HOTEL HANDICAP.

The draw for the above handicap (250 up) has been issued, as follows:—

Byes to meet in second round: A. Tse (scr.) v. W. Disspain (50). W. Hill (125) v. J. Parkes (200). S. Kelly (100) v. McNab Wilson (125). J. W. Hamilton (100) v. J. E. Clapham (125). K. Higashide (150) v. R. Sugawara (150). C. P. Cave (150) v. D. Urquhart (100). R. Thomas (125) v. G. H. Bayley (200). Pritchard (75) v. J. Mukerjee (50). W. Gerrard (75) v. W. E. Crocker (150). Ho Sai Man (scr.) v. R. Porter (100). Bye E. B. Green (200).

First round: T. B. Golding (300) v. R. Nicholls (50). W. S. Cuff (75) v. J. Snook (200). F. Normanton (scr.) v. R. G. Tyrrell (75). A. G. Pile (200) v. H. Davis (150). W. Drew (125) v. G. H. Thomas (100). T. Wilson (75) v. J. H. East (100). M. Erner (125) v. A. Rows (100). W. Taylor (50) v. W. G. Gerrard (150). Ho Sai Cheong (scr.) v. Greensfield (75). E. Reeves (125) v. R. E. Newman (75).

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is understood that St. Francis Church, Wanchai, has been sold by the Catholic Mission owing to the inadequate accommodation it offers to the ever-increasing Catholic community of that locality. The church will remain, however, until the construction of a new and more commodious edifice, and negotiations are proceeding with the Government for a suitable site at Happy Valley.

Capt. A. Lowndes, C.B., who has succeeded Commodore H. La P. Lewis as chief of staff to the Commander-in-Chief at Devonport is a specialist in navigation. He commanded the "Alacrity," Commander-in-Chief's yacht on the China Station, from 1910 to 1912. In August, 1913, he was appointed flag-captain to Admiral Browning, then rear-Admiral commanding the Third Battle Squadron.

The Asiatic Petroleum Company has just acquired "Bank Buildings" on the corner of Wyndham Street and Queen's Road, part of the Bellis estate. The site has an area of about 11,000 square feet and was sold at about \$60 square foot. The purchasers intend to build offices, six storeys high on the site, if Government permission can be obtained. The present tenants have been placed under notice to vacate the premises in February.

A Chinese was yesterday found by the police hanging from a telegraph pole with a rope round his neck, on the railway line at Lokloha, near Shatin. He was immediately cut down, and artificial respiration was applied without success. The remains were later removed to the Kowloon mortuary. The deceased who was a native of Lautao, in Chinese territory, appears to have been a stranger in the vicinity of Shatin, as no one seemed to know anything about him excepting that he had come from Lautao. The case is thought to be one of suicide.

At St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon Mr. Leonard Manning Ralston was married to Miss Violet Muriel Vaughan. The bride wore a gown of white georgette, with brocade sash, and carried a shower bouquet of roses and Honolulua creeper. Miss Florie Neave, her bridesmaid, wore a dress of primrose georgette with lace hat trimmed with pink roses, her bouquet being of pink roses and maidenhair fern. Mrs. Neave, the hostess, wore a dress of brown, brocade silk with gold trimming. The Rev. H. V. Copley Moyle was the officiating clergyman. Mr. T. Neave gave the bride away, and Mr. R. Farmer was "best man." A reception followed at the Hongkong Hotel.

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TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Hongkong, October 13, 1920.

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THE above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that they must take immediate delivery of same from alongside, and all cargo impeding discharge will be landed at their risk and expense into the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's godowns at West Point, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be counter-signed.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on October 19, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after October 20, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

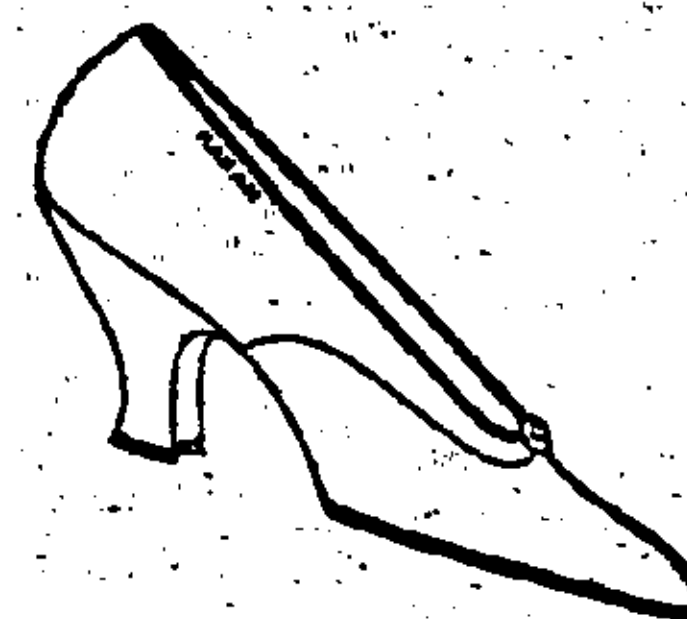
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| "FLORE" | 5,400 | 30th Nov. | Malakka, London & A. West. |
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| "DEVANHA" | 5,400 | 14th Dec. | Do. |
| "MELIA" | 5,400 | 18th Dec. | Do. |
| "PLASSY" | 5,400 | 22nd Dec. | Do. |

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|-----------------|-------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| "GREGORY APCAR" | 4,600 | 18th Oct. | Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta. |
|-----------------|-------|-----------|--------------------------------|

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| "EASTERN" | 4,600 | 30th Oct. | Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne. |
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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

| | | | |
|-----------|-------|-----------|---------------------|
| "NOVARA" | 5,400 | 18th Oct. | Shanghai and Japan. |
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| TOYAMA MARU ... | Monday, 15th Nov., at 11 a.m. |
| TOYOHASHI MARU ... | Friday, 25th Nov., at 11 a.m. |
| FUSHIMI MARU (omit Manila) ... | Tuesday, 14th Dec., at 11 a.m. |

LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Malacca, Penang, Colombo, Suez, Port Said & Marseilles.

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| MISHIMA MARU ... | Monday, 15th Oct., at Noon. |
| KADO MARU ... | Friday, 25th Oct., at Noon. |

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KAMAKURA MARU ... Sunday, 31st November.

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| HIKIO MARU ... | Friday, 22nd Oct., at 11 a.m. |
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AKI MARU ... Saturday, 16th October, at 11 a.m.

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TERISHI MARU ... Wednesday, 20th October.

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Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow-

loon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd.,

at Kowloon, whence and/or from

the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded

unless notice to the contrary be given

before 8th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after

the 15th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must

be presented to the Undersigned on

or before the 25th inst. or they will

not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

Goods are to be left in the Godowns,

where they will be examined on the

15th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship,

"KAMAKURA MARU,"

having arrived from the above Ports,

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed

that their Goods are being landed and

placed at their risk in the Hongkong &

Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's

Godowns at Kowloon, where each consigna-

ment will be sorted out mark by mark

and delivery can be obtained as soon as

the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless

instructions are given to the contrary be-

fore Noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 17th October,

1922, will be subject to rent.

Damaged Packages must be left in the

Godowns for examination by the Con-

signees and the Co's. representatives

at an appointed hour on TUESDAY and

FRIDAY. All claims must be pre-

sented within ten days of the steamer's

arrival here, after which date they cannot

be recognised. No claims will be admitted

after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.
Hongkong, October 11, 1922.

STRUTHERS AND DIXON, INC.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "WEST JENA," from SEATTLE.

S.S. "LORETTA," from BALTIMORE.

THE Steamship

"WEST JENA."

Arrived from Seattle via

ports on October 7th 1922 Consignees

are hereby notified that their cargo

is being landed at their risk into the

Godowns and/or Extra-Hazardous

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loon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.,

Kowloon and stored at Consignees'

risk.

Consignees of Cargo per S.S.

"LORETTA," from Baltimore are

hereby notified that their cargo was

trans-shipped at Kobe to the "WEST

JENA."

Consignees of Cargo must produce

an Import Permit signed by the

Superintendent of Imports and Ex-

ports, Hongkong before Bills of

Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged

goods are to be left in the Godowns

where it will be examined at 10 a.m.

on Oct. 13th, 1922 by the Company's

surveyors Messrs. Carmichael &

Clarke.

All claims must be presented within

ten days of the steamer's arrival

here, after which they cannot be

recognised. No claims will be

recognised after the goods have left

the Godowns and cargo undelivered

on and after October 14th, 1922 will

be subject to rent.

Consignees are requested to send

in their Bills of Lading for counter-

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INFLUENCE ON THE ORIENT.

HONGKONG MAN'S INTERESTING ARTICLE.

Mr. Norman Peterkin, who was well known in Hongkong as the manager of the Robinson Piano Company and as a skilled pianist, has an article in the September number of *The Musical Times* dealing with the influence of Occidental music on the Orient. He writes:—

That Oriental art in its various manifestations has exerted an enormous influence on that of the West is a fact that can hardly be disputed. Perhaps only those who have lived in Oriental countries and are familiar with its art—whether it be that of music, painting, ceramics, decoration, &c.—can quite realize the extent of the influence. On returning to England after many years of life in Eastern countries, I have been astonished to find how little of the most advanced European art seems wholly original. For instance, the effects attained by our Futurist and Cubist painters and sculptors are far from being peculiar to them. In little native shops in Kyoto, the old and still unspoiled capital of Japan, I have seen water-colours, sketches, prints, that in drawing, colour, and general effect are of amazingly similar type to the work of the European Futurists and Cubists. I have also seen figures and heads executed in wood, soap-stone, marble, and other materials that are quite as startling in their conception as anything turned out by Epstein, Mestrovic, or even the more advanced work still of the German 'expressionist' Oswald Herzog.

Japanese art has in the past greatly influenced European art, but I should not care to decide as to whether it is now influencing our Futurists and Cubists, or whether it is a case of spontaneous conception of similar ideas in both lands.

In another direction, much has been said about the influence of the Orient supposed to be evident in the costumes and colour schemes of the Russian Ballet. Personally I think the ballet has never given us the unique colour combinations and decorative effects constantly met with in the East. Perhaps it is heretical to say so, but I found that some of the ballet's colour schemes irresistibly reminded me of the displays one associates with the windows of Liberty's and H&M's in Tottenham Court Road, especially ballet like 'The Midnight Sun' and 'Thamar'. Perhaps I had better not say which I prefer!

In ceramic art the lovely work turned out by the Ruskin and Doulton potteries has its counterpart, both as to shapes and glazes used, in the Chinese pottery of certain periods. In this case, as the Chinese work long antedates the Western, there can be no question about the influence.

In the realm of dancing, we have had a deluge of 'Oriental' dances and dancers from Maud Allan to

Chu-chin-chow. I have witnessed the performances of a fair number, but with one exception, that of 'Roshanara', I have seen nothing that convinced me it was Oriental either in atmosphere or accomplishment.

Oriental music has of course exercised a great influence on our own. There are very few of the moderns who do not reveal the influence somewhere in their work, including Debussy, Ravel, Stravinsky, and the modern French and Russian schools generally. Of our own men, Bartok is the one who is supposed to have come most under the fascination of the Orient. Strange to say, there is little in his work, fine though it be, that (to me) strikes a definite Oriental note, whereas I feel this note strongly in a great deal of Cyril Scott's music even where it is not concerned with Oriental subjects. However, it is not necessary to quote further instances of the general influence of the arts of the East on those of the West—it would be labouring the point, and in any case is not what I set out to write about. I see also that the *Chesterian* announces an article on 'Oriental influences in contemporary European music' by Kaikhosru Sorabji, which should be welcomed by those interested in the subject. There is probably no one in England—or, for that matter, in Europe—better fitted to deal with it, for Sorabji, in addition to his Eastern heritage, possesses an encyclopaedic knowledge of modern music, and one can look forward to an interesting and valuable article.

Though I have wandered from the point, I started out to write of exactly the opposite subject—the influence of Western music on the Orient. Some might be tempted to think that such an influence does not exist; but they would be quite wrong. The influence not only exists, but is growing rapidly. We are all aware that our composers write 'Eastern' music on occasion, though it would not be recognised as such by Orientals. It will probably surprise a good many people to learn that there are composers of Oriental birth writing 'Western' music. So far I have come across only two: Kaikhosru Sorabji, who is Indian, and Koscak Yamada, who is Japanese. That is, these two are the only men, so far as I am aware, who are writing music that in its scope and achievement can be placed in the same class as the best of our modern European writers. I have come across other composers of Oriental—or partly Oriental—birth who are writing music in light vein very successfully. Some of the Filipinos seem to possess remarkable gifts in this direction.

Unfortunately, in the case of Sorabji, none of his music is in print, and therefore available for general discussion or performance. I have seen and heard a good deal of it, and my own opinion is that he is a new and startling voice in our modern music. He has mastered all the technical resources of the art, which he uses with insight and surety, his handling of the modern orchestra being amazing. His works are chiefly in the larger forms, and are of a complex character. They include:

- 1915.—Piano Concerto (A). Six Songs to poems of Henri de Régnier, Samain, and Pierre Louys.
- Two Vocalises.
- 1916.—Orchestral work 'Chaleur.' Piano Concerto (B). Songs to poems of Rimbaud, Baudelaire, &c.
- 1917.—Songs by Dowson, &c. Piano Concerto (C).
- 1918.—First Piano Concerto. Songs by Baudelaire, Verlaine.
- Two short Piano Concerto pieces.
- 1919.—Piano Concerto No. 1. Fantaisie Espagnole, Piano-forte.
- Incidental music to a play, 'The Rider by Night' by Edward Lightfoot.
- 1920.—Piano-forte Quintet. Prelude, Toccata, and Fugue, for Piano-forte.
- Second Piano-forte Concerto.

Sorabji is a merciless critic of his own work, and has discarded all work previous to his first Piano-forte Concerto of 1918, as being immature. He has apparently absorbed and assimilated all the developments of modern harmony, and has succeeded to an uncommon degree in evolving an idiom (of a very advanced nature) that appears to be absolutely his own, yet in a great many ways basically Oriental. That is to say, one feels with his music that it could hardly have been written by any other than an Oriental. His rhythmic sense is tremendous: A great deal of his work has a boiling, surging effect, that is unlike anything I know in modern music: it gives one the feeling of an almost volcanic personality behind it. I certainly think that when this music gets into print, and is performed, that it will become as much a storm centre of discussion as the music of Debussy, Stravinsky, Ravel, Gossens, and Schönberg.

The Japanese composer, Koscak Yamada, a fair amount of whose music is in print, is a writer of quite a different type, being not by any means a revolutionary, as is Sorabji. He is now in the early thirties, and commenced his musical training at the Imperial Academy of Music at Tokyo, studying mostly with German teachers, who at that time ran whatever music there was in Japan. After a long period of studentship he became a teacher in the Academy, all the while devoting himself to composition in Western forms. He eventually left Japan for Berlin, where he continued studying and working for five years. Max Bruch, amongst others, displaying a lively interest in his work. His output at this time included operas, symphonies, &c. One of his operas, based on a Japanese subject, was accepted for production in Berlin, but was shelved owing to the war. Soon afterwards he returned to Japan, and has since devoted himself to composition, teaching, and conducting. He recently made a trip to the U.S.A., where he was one of the sensations of the 1918-19 New York musical season, many of his orchestral works being played under his own conductorship.

His output includes 'Autumn Festival' (Morioka) for chorus and orchestra, 'The Dark Gate,' 'Madara no hana,' 'Blue Flame'—all symphonic poems; a symphony 'The Triumph of Peace'; 'Marie Magdalene'—a choreographic symphony, and some vocal and piano-forte works.

A great deal of his earlier work displays the influence of the German classics, while the later leans to the methods of the modern French school. In common with Sorabji, Yamada displays fine musical craftsmanship and technical mastery; but unlike the former, he has not yet shown himself to be the possessor of any strikingly individual utterance, at least in his orchestral works. These, however, are interesting enough, and maintain a high level. They are as much deserving of performance as most of the orchestral novelties brought forward; nevertheless, one feels that they might have been written by any one of our well-schooled younger composers, for there is no definite individuality of utterance, and but little hint of their Eastern origin.

Some of the work written since his return to Japan from Europe seems to point to the fact that Yamada is

now shedding the various influences that have hitherto moulded his work, and that a definite personality is emerging. His original Japanese songs reveal examples that are really interesting, and convince the hearer that in these he has succeeded in expressing, by means of a Western musical vocabulary and technique, something of the thoughts, feelings, and impulses that are of the essence of his own race and peculiar to them.

His arrangements of old Japanese songs and dances have considerable interest and exotic charm, and are of historical value. Skill is displayed in the manner in which this music is presented, so that we feel that here is authentic Oriental music as far as it can be expressed in terms of Western notation.

Yamada is a conductor of unusual ability, and a New York friend who is a prominent critic tells me that he considers him to be one of the most interesting and promising young conductors that have come before the American public. In his opinion Yamada is far greater as a conductor than as a composer.

Here then are two very concrete illustrations of the influence that Occidental music has begun to exert on the Orient and Oriental minds. To attain to a mastery of technical resources in a mode of expression strange to them is in itself a noteworthy achievement, but one that can be paralleled in other directions. What is more significant is the fact that Orientals, whose mental make-up is so different from our own, who so far as Occidental music is concerned have no tradition or inheritance of taste and feeling to guide them, who hear our music with such different ears as it were, can yet, in a short space of time, assimilate what we have to offer and in turn express themselves in a new medium with individuality and authority.

It must be recognised that it is not only a matter of learning a new language and expressing one's thoughts therein. In this case it means that a new view-point must be assumed, and a fresh mental development must take place before anything can be expressed that is of value or intelligible to the Occidental mentality. That is to say, the basic thought, impulses, and ideas which go to make up the personality to be expressed in terms of music, must be, if not actually altered, at least developed in new directions, before what is expressed as music can have much appeal to the average Westerner.

It is proverbial that the Oriental personality differs from our own in its make-up. Things that move us deeply and that possess great significance in our lives bear no meaning whatever to the Oriental. To take a common instance, how differently do they regard death. The thoughts and feelings it would give rise to in the Eastern mind are probably a complete reversal of those that would be prompted in ourselves by a similar contemplation. It is the same with our music. The greatest and most moving utterances of Western composers are meaningless to the Oriental, and not necessarily to the uneducated or lower class only. In turn, a great deal of Eastern music, even if it could be expressed in Western musical terms, would prove to be unbearable to us. We could not think of it as music at all: it would be merely noise to us, and actively unpleasant noise as that. Not only is the 'medium' or material it uses beyond our comprehension or enjoyment, but what it strives to express is also alien to us. Nevertheless to the people whose utterance it is, it is all that is beautiful and vital.

So that if at first sight the fact that there are Oriental composers writing in Western idiom does not seem particularly remarkable, a little reflection and an endeavour to put ourselves in their place—i.e., write music in an Eastern idiom that will be intelligible and acceptable to Orientals—will soon suffice to prove that it really is a very remarkable achievement.

Western music is also exerting influences in the Orient in other and less valuable directions than the creative. There are now a rapidly increasing number of executive artists. This is far more understandable. Once the liking for European music has been cultivated and a certain amount as-

simulated, the necessary executive technique will soon be acquired, for all Eastern races are adepts at picking up anything that depends on manual skill, the Chinese and Japanese notably so. I have yet to hear, however, any Oriental executive artist whose performance was anything more than technically excellent.

One Japanese prima donna, Tamaki Miura, has achieved sensational success in America in operas like 'Madama Butterfly,' 'Iris,' 'The Geisha,' and others; and her success has been the signal for the appearance of other Japanese singers. I know also Malay, Chinese, and Filipino pianists and violinists who have given me pleasure, the more so when they have tried to afford me an idea of their native music instead of the Chaminade genre they usually dote upon. The Pathan and Punjabi bandsmen of the Indian Army bands are also remarkably clever, and generally develop great sight-reading abilities. But I was never able to determine whether the Western music they played so well meant anything to them, nor could their European bandmasters enlighten me much. One friend told me he was quite convinced that it was merely a matter of parrot facility with them, and that they were completely indifferent and untouched by the music they played. On the other hand, another bandmaster of my acquaintance indignantly denied this, and assured me that they had strong likes and dislikes, and looked forward to new stuff—with an especial liking for Wagner excerpts.

The gramophone has played an enormous part in making Western music of the lighter type familiar to Eastern ears. As one time it was chiefly records of native music that were sold, but all this seems to be changing, and an enormous number of records of rag-time, light opera, and music-hall songs are disposed of direct to the natives. In China, much to my regret, gramophones, together with large orchestras, are gradually displacing the native orchestras that used to be so much a feature of every tea-house and restaurant. It is, indeed, rather remarkable how Eastern races have taken to our light music, especially rag-time. I have many times amused myself with noting the effect of European music on my native servants of different races—Malays, Tamils, Javanese, Chinese, and Japanese. I have played on the piano-forte or gramophone all kinds of music—Stravinsky, Debussy, Irving Berlin, Elgar, Borodin, Lionel Monckton, &c. In every case the result was the same, they were always attracted to anything with strongly marked rhythm. Nothing else, seemed to matter; the harmony might be ultra-modern and involved, or utterly elementary, so long as the rhythm was there: Borodin's 'Prince Igor' dances drew them just as surely as Irving Berlin's 'Watch your step,' while such things as Debussy's 'L'Après-midi d'une femme' found them absolutely indifferent and bored. Strong rhythm, therefore, seems to be the element that attracts them in Western music, and this doubtless explains why jazz and rag-time generally have attained such a hold.

I shall not soon forget the shock of one of my first experiences of Western music in the East. I had attended a performance in a little Malay theatre in an out-of-the-way district, the play being one of those 'The choice fell on the "Spring Song," which however met with little favour. The audience evidently had no opinion of Mendelssohn. The small children made for their mothers' arms in terror, and were only consoled with difficulty. The general feeling was one of astonishment passing off that record and replaced it by a hunting chorus plentifully sprinkled with the blare of horns. This met with a most enthusiastic reception. . . . We went on to the music-halls, and singers, and whistlers, and when the interval was announced after "Fou Rire," the entire audience went off almost convulsed with attempts to imitate it. Of the countries of the East that have taken most kindly to Western music Japan is the chief. Fifty years

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STRANGE POLISH TACTICS.

LONDON, October 10th. It is reported that serious complications have arisen at Vilna. The Poles are making a determined attempt to occupy the Lithuanian capital which action conflicts with the Polish declaration to the League of Nations. It is stated that the Lithuanians are preparing a vigorous defence and the Government has gone to Kovno.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

LONDON, October 10th. H.M.S. *Resonant* has entered the Channel, and is proceeding to Portsmouth accompanied by the third flotilla of the Atlantic Fleet and six destroyers. His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has sent a message to the Press expressing his warm appreciation of the numerous messages of welcome and congratulation from all parts of the United Kingdom, saying that he had the most splendid time during his tour, but he is very happy to be back again.

HASTENING CHINESE CONSORTIUM.

WASHINGTON, October 9th. Sir Auckland Geddes and Sir Charles Addis, the London manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation met Mr. Davis, Under-Secretary of State Department on October 8th for a conference which is understood to have been arranged with a view to hastening the steps for making the proposed Chinese Consortium effective. Mr. Shubert visited the department during the day.

old tales that date back hundreds of years. There had been some singing of rather plaintive native music which had interested and delighted me much. Then, to my stupefaction, one of the characters burst out into a distorted version of 'Yip-taddy-ay!' sung to native words. I felt we were unanswerable for a good deal.

This kind of thing was to become a common experience, and I actually recall one performance of 'Macbeth' done into Malay, where various popular music-hall tunes were introduced, to the frantic delight of the native audience.

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